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Dear Deans

Thanks much for the invitation. I think I'd better stick to the hotel for the first leg (NIH) since we are planning night sessions. But it might be fun if I did take advantage of your hospitality for the satellite sessions; anyhow, I'll call you about it. I am enclosing my full itinerary.

I don't know how the program was set up; I gave the correct authorship and title to Schmitt over the phone several weeks ago. No matter. But I do think it is about time we got the ms. out to Science, as it would be desirable to have it printed not too long after the meeting. I am returning a penultimate typescript, encompassing your last suggestions (but one) and including a few further revisions, again mainly to sharpen up and clarify some obscurities.

However, 'proper motion' of a star has no moral implications; it is an astronomical phrase distinguished from 'apparant motion', i.e. due to the earth's rotation and orbital revolution. "Cemetary" for Cometary was a bad strike-over; we better watch out for that in proof. That's even better than 'indefensible' for 'indefeasible' which got by me at the Detroit enzyme symposium, and which rather annoyed Norm Horowitz (since I was talking about 1 enzyme: 1 gene)/

I hope that you will find the revisions satisfactory, and if so will make any minor verbal changes you find necessary and send the ms, directly on to Wolfle. You may have to complete some bibliographic and tabular items; at least check them over. It will probably speed matters if you read the proof; if so, please not an order for 500 reprints for UW purchase.

The closing sentence is news from Lloyd Berkmer.

Yours,

Joshua Lederberg